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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Application No. 09/189,702; Filed: November 10, 1998
For: **HLA Binding Peptides and Their Uses**
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$2,950.00 to cover: \$2,160.00 - Five (5) month Extension of Time fee; and \$790.00 - RCE filing fee.
2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a);
3. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (PTO/SB/30);
4. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114; and
5. One (1) return postcard.

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Respectfully submitted,

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